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reasons—instability of government principally—the great financial nations of Europe have approached with caution. We learn, for instance, that \$200,000,000 of American money is already invested in the American tropics; and this is only a beginning.

One gathers, between the lines, in reading the concluding chapters of the book, that Professor Jones deprecates, while reluctantly recognizing, a tendency on the part of the Central American countries to regard with a measure of alarm the ever increasing influence of their giant neighbor to the north and, indeed, we have all heard more or less of this instinctive feeling on the part of these small and unprotected republics; but when we review their attitude during the last few weeks, when country after country in South America has hastened to place itself in sympathetic alignment with the United States on the occasion of our entering into the European war, it is difficult to believe that any of them can honestly harbor real dread of an encroachment on their rights or an attack on their autonomy, or indeed expect anything but single-minded aid and protection whenever and as often as either may be called for.

Professor Jones has written a book of the greatest value to any one interested in the subject of the Caribbean countries and this should mean all Americans who watch with pride their country's progress, and are concerned in seeing it achieve and maintain its proper position as the dominant economic and political power of the Western Hemisphere.

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